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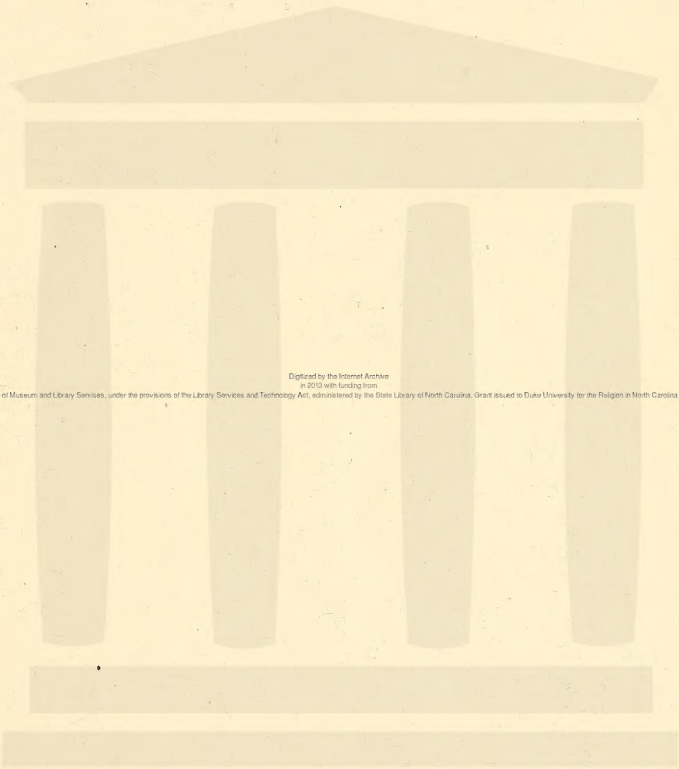

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Flat Rock—S. H. Parsons, Walter Henry.
Fletchers Grove—Norman Leak.
Flint Ridge—O. L. Tanner, J. B. Myers.

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Green Hill—H. P. Phillips, G. M. Myers.
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McLain Grove—J. H. Spencer, M. C. Corad.
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New Grove—M. P. Bennett, Pleas Sturdivant.
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Pleasant Till—Moses Lile, W. C. Sturdivant.
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Poplar Spring—W. M. Ingram, W. E. Davis.
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Ramah Grove—W. C. Melton, F. C. Cravis.
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Rockford W.—E. M. Tilman, W. M. Dean.
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Rew Level—B. C. McLendon, Wiston Perry.
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White Ooak—W. M. Melton, L. H. Diggs.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wadesboro, N. C., Aug. 31, 1926.

To the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Union Auxiliary of Zion Association:

The Lord has wonderfully blessed us, let us continue to lift Him up, by living good lives, that those who sit in darkness may see Christ, the Great Light.

My financial report beginning August 31, 1925, and ending August 31, 1926:

Received at March Union meeting at Flat Rock	$ 92.93
June 6, 1926, Nicy Grove	69.85
August 28, 1926	77.90
Total	$239.78
Disbursements—	
For Foreign Mission	$ 60.00
Zion Association	25.00
To Ministers for service	28.11
Delegates fare to State Convention	10.00
Presidents fare to State Convention	10.70

On President's fare to Lott Carey Convention	10.[illegible]
On expense for Fraternal Delegates to the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Convention of W. N. C.	3.00
To A. L. Leak, for extra printing of Treas. reports	4.[illegible]0
Monroe Enterprise	3.00
Programs	6.25
Secretary, for service	5.00
To Mrs. L. C. Chavis of W. Con. W. N. C.	4.00
Officers and Boards expense to Union meetings	46.58
To sextons	2.[illegible]0
Home Mission	1.50
Five yards of cloth and one suit of clothes to Mrs. Waddell	1.00
Book for Secretary	50
Tablet	.05
Total disbusements	$231.69
Balance in Treasury	$ 21.48

Respectfully submitted,
M. F. LITTLE, Treasurer.

PROCEEDINGS

Meltonsville Baptist Church, Route 3, Peachland, N. C.,
Wednesday, October 13, 1926.

Pursuant to the adjournment of the previous session held with the Saron Baptist Church, Polkton, N. C., the Zion Missionary Baptist Association met in its fifty-fourth annual sesion today with the above named church, Rev. J. E. P. Little, Moderator, presiding. Praise services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Ellerbee as follows:

First hymn No. 444. Scripture reading, One Hundred Division of the Pslams.

Prayer by Rev. J. T. Ratliff.

Second hymn No. 520, S. M. Prayer by Bro. W. R. Rivers.

The Moderator made remarks and asked Rev. C. D. Lipscombe, of Wadesboro to accompany Rev. Dr. P. M. Mayfield in the restrum to preach the introductory sermon.

Rev. Lipscombe lined hymn No. 244 C. M.

Rev. Mayfield read the scripture from Psalm 148 division. Prayer by Rev. Lipscombe.

Hymn No. 357 S. M., was sung.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Mayfield to deliver the opening sermon, who came forward and announced as a text for the occasion: "And behold I come quickly and my reward is with me to give every man according as his works shall be." Rev. 22:12.

The speaker used as a subject "Reward." Theme "Works." The sermon was full of thought and was was delivered with much power and enthusiasm.

"Did Christ Over Sinners Weep?" etc. was sung. Prayer by Rev. C. B. Bethea.

Collection lifted by Deacon G. R. West, amounted to $12.15. Benediction by Dr. Mayfield.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Asociation reassembled and Rev. J. F. Davis conducted the devotional as follows:

Hymn No. 393 C. M.

Prayer by Deacon J. C. Cason.

Second hymn No. 259 S. M.

The Moderator occupied the choir, made some timely remarks and announced that the Association was in order for business.

First was calling the rall of officers. Rev. B. J. Parsons failing to answer to the roll call for the first time in thirty-nine years. Illness was the cause of his absence this time. We felt sad to miss his presence. The roll of churches was called and the names of delegates enrolled.

Bros. W. T. Crowder and K. D. Crowder, members of Meltonsville Church, extended welcome to the delegates and visitors in well chosen words.

Rev. J. E. P. Little, the pastor, out of a heart full of

love and good will, extended welcome on behalf of the ministry. All of which made us feel very much at home and among our brethren.

Bro. C. C. Horne, in his jovial manner and high spirit by way of response assured the brethren and pastor that we are here and will endeavor to measure up to all of their expectations, both temporal and spiritual. The regular program was maived and we listened to the greetings from Shaw University, its objectives and its needs by Dean W. S. Turner. The speech was highly enjoyed by the delegates present.

The time having arrived for the Moderato's Address, the Vice-Moderator, Rev. J. W. Diggs, was called to the chair and presented the Moderator in a highly dignified manner, who came forward and delivered a very unique and far-reaching address. See address.

The address was received and referred to committee, viz., Rev. R. S. Tanner, Bros. C. H. Waddell and C. R. Smith.

Rev. Dr. Mayfield made remarks on the address.

Bro. G. W. Baucum, the Corresponding Secretary, made his report. See report.

The report was adopted and ordered recorded.

Adjourned. Benediction by Rev. A. B. Moore.

NIGHT SESSION

At 7:40 P. M. the Association was called together. Rev. C. B. Bethea conducted the praise services as follows:

Singing, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart," etc.

Hymn No. 344, "How Hapy Every Child of God," etc.

Prayer by Rev. J. C. Covington.

"Did Christ Over Sinners Weep," etc., was sung.

Rev. J. A. Little, acocmpanied by Rev. J. W. Diggs,

ascended the rostrum to preach a sermon.

Rev. Diggs lined hymn No. 378 C. M.

Rev. Little read the scripture, 1st Thessalonians 5th chapter.

Prayer by Rev. A. B. Moore.

Second hymn No. 559 L. M.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Little to deliver the sermon, which he did from the text, "Quence not the spirit," 1st Thess. 5:19.

The speaker, among the many things said in this sermon, amphasized the folowing assailant points: The offices of the Holy Spirit, he is the third person in the trinity. The work of the Spirit, to bless and comfort. The personality, he is a person and has to be dealt with as such. He worketh repentance. He giveth light, therefore quench not the Spirit.

The sermon was indeed a great one.

Prayer by Rev. C. B. Bethea.

Collection $11.00.

Rev. J. F. Davis ably presented the subject, "The Association as an Organization." He outlined the purpose and object of an association, then went on giving the importance of maintaining our relation and support to an organized body.

Dr. J. H. Moore, of Durham, Secretary of Missions in the State, was introduced, who came forward and presented the work of the Lott Carey and the State Convention work.

Rev. J. T. Clark of the A. M. E. Zion Connection, was recoguized and made remarks.

Collection for Dr. Moore $6.25.

Doxology. Denediction by Rev. J. T. Ratliff.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Promptly at 9:40 A. M. the Association was called to order.

Rev. D. C. Spencer conducted the praise services as follows:

First hymn No, 350 S. M.

Prayer by Bro. J. C. Cason.

Second hymn, "There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood," etc. The praise service closed.

The Moderator occupied the chair and announced the house open and in order for business.

The minutes of yesterday and last night's sessions were read and approved.

Miss Lucy Thompson, representing the Orphan Work as done at Gibsonville, N. C., by the High Point Association, was introduced. She came forward and spoke interestingly of the work. She stated in part that the institution would have a formal opening on next Thanksgiving Day, and invited us to attend. She also solicited and for the Home.

The various Committees was announced. See list.

Bro. A. L. Leak discussed the subject, "The State Convention, Its Objects and Our Duty to Support Them." He first defined a State Convention as being the various churches and associations in the State binding themselves together to do extension kingdom work. That a State Convention was as necessary as a local church in a community. The object was to encourage and assist religious education and to send the gospel to all the world. Our duty is paramount and inseparable along with other Christian duties.

An invitation was extended to visitors to which Rev. Dr. Knuckles of Lumberton, N. C., Rev. B. F. Colvin,

York, S. C., pastor Friendship Church, Rev. R. H. Crockett, Wadesboro, R. W. Alsobrook, Philadelphia-Yadkin Association, all came froward and was made welcome. All made remarks.

Other visitors were Rev. C. W. Marshall, Cheraw, S. C., and Rev. R. H. Sturdivant, Marshville, N. C. Rev. J. L. Chambers, together with Bro. C. H. Waddell ascended the stand to preach the Missionary Sermon.

Rev. Chambers read the Scriptures from the 10th chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans 1-13 verses and offered prayer.

Bro. Waddell lined hymn No. 559 L. M.

The Moderator introduced the speaker, Rev. J. L. Chambers, who came forward and announced as a text for the occasion, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and yet shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the arth." Acts 1:8.

The speaker used as a subject "Religion."

"Christian Fight On Your Time Isn't Long," was sung. Prayer by Rev. A. B. Moore.

Collection for missions $32.60.

The Association adjourned with the benediction by Rev. R. WW. Alsobrook.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association reassembled at 2:15 P. M.

Praise services were conducted by Bro. G. M. Myers as follows:

Singing C. M. hymn. Prayer by Rev. Crockett.

The Moderator announced the house open and ready for business.

The Women's Missionary Convention, Auxiliary to Zion

Association, rendered the following program:

Report by Mrs. A. C. Robinson, the president, as follows: Unions held 3; given 29 yards of cloth; 23 garments to the Lott Carey Convention. Donated to Lott Carey Convention $15.00; to State Convention $20.00; to the Missionary headquarters $30.00; to the home field $1.50. Mrs. C. C. Horne read a very splendid paper on "Love and Affection of the Women's Work With the Association."

Mrs. C. C. Boulware spoke extemperaneously on the mission activities of the circles and convention. The sisters donated to Zion Association $25.00. A vote of thanks were extended to the sisters for their generous donation and their remarks.

Rev. H. I. Quick very ably and intelligently discussed the subject, "How Can We Best Organize Ourselves to Support the State Work." He said among other things, first get the ministry together. Second, organize the deacons, then give God the first collections every Sunday.

Rev. J. J. Anderson, contributing editor Progressive Messenger, Charlotte, N. C., was recognized and given a seat of welcome. Rev. Anderson made remarks.

W. C. Baucom, M. D., Wadesboro, was introduced. He came forward and made remarks.

The Association adjourned with benediction by Rev. J. F. Davis.

NIGHT SESSION

At 6:45 P. M. the Association was called to order and Rev. W. H. Horne conducted the praise services as follows:

Hymn No. 424 S. M.

Prayer by Rev. C. W. Marshall.

Second hymn No. 531 C. M.

Prayer by Bro. G. M. Myers.

In the absence of the Committee's Report on Obituary the delegates from each church was asked to name the deceased of their church. The following gave names: Madison Grove, 5; Chilson Grove, 2; Nicy Grove, 2; Rockford W., 3; Timmonsville, 1; Rockford E., 1; Saron, 1; Deep Creek, 3; Meltonsville, 6; Long Pine, 2; Sandy Ridge, 2; Ramah Grove, 1; McLain Grove, 4; Brown Creek, 2; Elizabeth M., 1; Parsons Grove, 5; White Oak, 2; St. Paul, 1.

Rev. W. H. Horne opened the remarks of condolence, followed by others who spoke in high regards of those who had fallen in death. Especially Rev. R. Diggs and Deacon Frank Haily.

Rev. R. H. L. Crockett filled the stand accompanietd by Rev. C. W. Marshall.

Rev. Marshall lined hymn No. 602 C. M.

The Moderator introduced Rev. Crockett as the speaker of the hour, who came forward and delivered a soul-reviving sermon from the text, "I am he that liveth, was dead and is alive for ever more, Amen. Behold I have the keys of death and hell." Rev. 1:18.

The speaker carried his hearers with him into the field of eloquence and there were shouts of joy while he talked to us by the way.

Prayer by Bro. B. A. Watts. Colection $13.35.

Benediction by Rev. J. W. Diggs.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

The Asociation assembled at 10 o'clock A. M.

TheTpraise services conducted by Bro. J. R. Alsobrook as follows:

Singing, "And Will the Judge Descend," etc.

Prayer by Rev. W. M. Allen.

"Let Jesus Lead You," etc., was sung.

Prayer by Bro. S. H. Waddell.

Singing hymn No. 525 S. M., "I Love Thy Kingdom Lord," etc. Prayer by Rev. A. B. Moore.

The Moderator made remarks and announced the Association open and ready for business.

Mintes of yesterday and last night were read and approved.

The various committees and the treasurer made their reports. See appendiv for reports.

Rev. H. I. Quick, fraternal messenger from the Pee Dee Association, brought to us greetings from that body. He spoke very touchingly of the illness of Rev. B. G. Parsons, which kept him from attending the Association and suggested that Rev. Parsons' name remain in every official position as heretofore.

"A Few More Years Shall Roll," etc., was sung and Rev. B. F. McManus was asked to offer prayer to God in behalf of Rev. Parsons. The Ordaining Board made report. See appendiv for report. Colection for Rev. Parsons, $13.00.

Benediction by Rev. J. F. Davis.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Praise services conducted by the Moderator as follows:

Hymn No. 205 C. M.

Second hymn No. 344.

Rev. J. R. Faison read as a scripture lesson Isa. 54: 1-8. Prayer by Dr. Burch.

Rev. Faison preached the closing sermon from the text, "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes." Isa. 54:2.

This wa sa great sermon, and while the man of God talked to us by the way our hearts burned with the holy fire.

Collection $9.14.

The Finance Committee reported as follows:

On representation fee $470.20; State and Foreign Missions, $42.47; Ministerial Education, $26.60; Aged Ministers, $35.08. Total $566.58; Public colections, $97.49. From the Women's Convention, $25.00. Total $688.07.

On motion the report was adopted.

Benediction by Rev. J. R. Faison.

REV. J. E. P. LITTLE, Moderator.

BRO. A. L. LEAK, Clerk.

APPENDIX

MODERATOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS

To the Officers and Members of Zion Baptist Association—Greeting:

Dear Brethren:

A continual motion of this great volumninous body, called the earth, has brought to a close another associational year of opportunities and duties. A year of joy mingled with sorrow, of success or failure; and brother, it has been either a year of faithful service to God and our fellowman or full of selfishness and indifference to ane another, which has it been? I leave it for you to answer.

In the material world business has not bee nstablized, great organizations have not been unsettled, commerce has been crippled. and industries of every kind for the most part, have suffered by the ill effects of one cause or another.

The period for the last year has been closed. The account has been made up and the record for the last year closed. What is our memory of the past year? Do our memories haunt us of the things we have failed to do, or do our past recollections bring smiles to our memory and help mould every fresh experience which our great aims are acting upon?

These recollections stand for what we once were as our aspirations and hopes stand for what we desire to be. We can hardly realize the past it is as a fleeting momen or as a story told and if we are not very careful, the whole catalgoue of the past will be erased from our memory. We cannot be successful in life unless we regard the past. The past as well as the future helps us to become stronger men, and also helps us to solve our problems in life in our advancing years.

We are not strangers in a strange land. We are like the men and women who lived in the ancient historical age. We are studying the same problems of life that the men and women studied. even then, traveling through the wilderness to the promised land. They were confronted with the memory of progressiveness, and so are we, they were confronted with the memory of progressiveness, and so are we, they were confranted with misfortunes ,and so are we.

I am proud of this delegation of men and women, who are Christians. I am the more proud of the great men of God, who constitute the Ministerial Department—men after God's own heart. These are the men set apart to interpret the truths laid down in the sacred scripture, for, without this itnerpretation, our memory of the past in the future, would long sting us with defeat, remorse and the recollection of failure.

Dear Brother: We set our lives by the Gospel, and regulate most of our activities. The Gospel is a power, it quickens the will of men and women for good, and we, the ministers, are the ones who are expected to hand it out to hungering souls.

Are we qualified mentally and spiritually to carry the message to the hungry world?

As I look around I see messengers from al over Zion's field. These weary gleaners are come with their sheaves, some bound with tears, some with joy, but they are here to give an account of their stewardship for the past year.

The udutful laymen of the Church have come to listen to the reports of the year's work, and the officers into whose hands you enrtusted the working of the Association twelve months ago, are here. We are here to make our different reports, telling you how many souls we have won; how many churches we have organized; how much we have brought up for the different missions; we also come to report what we have done for our disabled ministers, education and all the other objects that our Association stands for.

Recommendations

(A) We hope to stand by our State in doing home and Foreign Missionary Work.

(B) We hope our Zion brethren will formulate such plants that will be helpful in uniting our Associational Work with the State work more fully.

(C) WeW further recommend that we carry out the intentions in the circular letters coming from our Coresponding Secretary, ordered by Executive Committee.

(D) Lastly we recommend that this organization do all that it can to help educate worthy ministers, for upon them depends our future church.

I beg leave to recommend that the Association have two minis-

tesial conferences annually conducted by Dr. J. H. Moore, State Secretary of Missions.

In conclusion let me say that I appreciate the cooperation of all the Officers in this great organization, the kindly way you have stood by us in our efforts. We hope the great Spirit who knows our uprising and who knows our downfalls, and who is acquainted with all our struggles in life, will ever hold this Association together.

We pray that everything will be in decent and in order, respecting each others feelings.

We pray that "peace" among ourselves wil be our Pass Word and harmony wil be our motto.

We pray that the great spirit will lead and guide us as a pillow of cloud by day and a pilow of fire by night.

Let me say lastly, if I have failed to do my entire duty in bringing about peace and harmony, and brotherly love, it was not for the lack of interest or zeal.

Brother delegation, you now have the outline of my stewardship before you, and it is for you all to judge whether I have come up to your ideals or not.

I wish further to say that all the officers have contributed to make this a sucessful year.

Yours respectfully,
J. E. P. LITTLE, Moderator Zion Baptist Association.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF Y. M. B. A., ENDING OCTOBER 15, 1926.

Dear Brethren: This has been a year of much upheaval, but after all it has been a year of much spiritual uplift.

Many souls have been added to the churches this year.

Our ministers in general are doing more efficient work.

The Association is doing more missionary work, especially along the line of Church building.

The Association has helped the Ebenezer and Poplar Hill churches to do some repair work.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. BAUCUM, Cor. Sect. Zion Association.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Meltonsville Baptist Church, Rt. 3, Peachland, N. C.

I, B. B. Sturdivant, Treasurer, in Acount with the Zion Asosciation, submits the following report from Oct. 10, 1925, to Oct. 11, 1926:

1925	
Oct. 16—To amount brought forward	$1,123.68
Oct. 16—To amount received from Corresponding Secret'y	9.00
Oct. 16—To amount received by public collection	128.36
To amount received from W. H. M. Convention	17.00
To amount receiver from Finance Committee	55.18
Nov. 29—To amount received Rep. fee Union meeting	41.55
To amount received by public collections	24.27
1926	
January 31—To amount received from Union meeting	25.80
May 31—To amount received from Union meeting	56.42
Oct. 1—To amount received from Madison Grove on note	100.00
Total	$2,081.36

Credits—

Order 1—W. L. Heard, donation Friendship College	$ 10.25
Order 2—Dr. J. H. Moore, State and Foreign Missions	56.37
Order 3—Dr. O. S. Bullock, donation Shaw University	200.00
Order 4—Dr. J. H. Moore, State and Foreign Missions	33.60
Order 5—Rev. J. E. P. Little, Moderator, services	25.00
Order 6—Bro. A. L. Leak, Clerk, services	35.00
Order 7—B. B. Sturdivant, Treasurer, services and exp'ses	12.00
Order 8—Bro. G. W. Baucum, Cor. Sec'y, seivices and ex.	30.00
Order 9—Bro. G. W. Baucum, expenses of Ex. Com.	9.50
Order 10—Bro. Lill Staton, sexton	4.00
Order 11—Bro. L. V. Madley, donation Saron Church	5.00
Order 12—Bro. Thomas Taylor, donation, Mrs. W. D. Taylor	5.00
Order 13—Rev. B. J. Parsons, ex. of ordaining board	20.00
Order 14—Rev. J. F. Davis,donatio nElizabeth Church P. D.	7.00
Order 15—Bro. G. R. West, Ex. of Finance Commitee	10.50
Order 16—Rev. J. W. Diggs, donation Rev. R. Diggs, Super	10.00
Order 17—Rev. V. B. R. Bowman, donation superanuate	7.34

Order 18—Rev. H. D. and D. A. Tillman, superanute	14.68
Order 19—B. J. Parsons, donation superanute	7.34
Order 20—Rev. W. L. Butler, donation superanuate	7.34
Order 21—Bro. J. R. Alsobrook, loaned	30.00
Order 22—Rev. B. J. Sturdivant, donation superanute	7.34
Order 23—Miss Roberta Robinson, loaned	75.00
Order 24—Rev. B. J. Parsons, Moderator U. M.	2.00
Order 25—Rev. J. T. Ratliff, Sec'y U. M.	3.00
Order 26—Bro. Allen Marshall, sexton U. M.	2.00
Order 27—Bro. A. C. Chavis, donation Ramah Grove Ch.	5.00
Order 28—Bro. E. L. Lomax, donation Poplar Hill Ch.	25.00
Order 29—Rev. B. J. Parsons, donation Cedar Creek Ch.	25.00
Order 30—Bro. G. M. Myers, donation Green Hill Ch.	10.00
Order 31—A. L. Leak, for printing minutes, etc.	113.09
Order 32—Trustees of Poplar Hill Church, loaned	150.00
Order 33—Trustees of Masonic and K. of P. Lodges at Polkton, loaned	200.00
Order 34—Trustees of Ebeenzer Church, loaned	350.00
Order 35—Rev. J. W. Diggs, donation on burying expenses of R. Diggs	25.00
Order 36—Rev. B. J. Parsons, Moderator, U. M.	2.50
Order 37—Rev. J. T. Ratliff, Sec'y, U. M.	4.00
Order 38—Bro. H. D. Diggs, sexton	1.00
Order 39—Bro. H. D. Diggs, donation Chilson Grove Ch.	3.00

Disbursements January Union

To Moderator	2.50
To Secretary	4.00
To Sexton	1.00
To White Oak Church, donation	3.00
Total credits	$1,551.26
Balance in Treasury	530.10

Summary Report

Running expenses including printing minutes, etc.	$ 280.50
State and Foreign Missions	89.90
To aged ministers	54.05
Donated to churches	81.00

Loaned to churches to aid them in building	500.00
Loaned on interest	305.00
Miscellaneous	30.00
Educational Missions, Shaw University	200.00

Brother Moderator and brethren, I think the association is doing a great service in aiding churches in building by loaning them money, thereby saving them the interest. Madison Grove has paid every note before they came due. In fact she is 12 months ahead of time on her payments. Only one more note and that one is due Oct. 1, 1927. We trust all others will do likewise, thereby making us able to continue to help the churches build until every church in the field has a suitable house for worship, and at the same time continue to do our missionary and educational work.

B. B. STURDIVANT,
Treasurer of Zion Association.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I, J. C. Cason, Auditor of Zion Association, have examined carefully the receipts, vouchers and items herein contained in the treasurer's report and find the same accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully yours,
J. C. CASON, Auditor.

COMMITTEES REPORT ON MODERATOR'S ADDRESS.

We, your Committee on the Moderator's Address, beg leave to submit the following report:

After much care and consideration with open hearts to that most important document, filled with good judgment and doctrine, not surpassed with truth and advice that we trust wil be accepted by all of us. Therefore we recommend that the whole address be printed in the minutes and that the recommendations be referred to the propr committee.

Respectfully yours,
COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE REPORT ON PLACE AND TIME

We, your Committee on Place and Time, beg leave to report as follows: We recommend that the next session of Zion Association be held with the Ramah Grove Church, McFarlan, N. C., beginning on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1927, at eleven o'clock A. M. Rev. B. B. Sturdivant to preach the introductory

sermon, Rev. W. H. Horne, alternate.

Respectfully yours,

COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Since it is Christ's object that the Church should promote the work of Missions—Home, State anf Foreign—we urge first that we renew our energy in our various fields to give a better support to all of the objects for which our denomination stands.

Second, that we shall encourage and assist as far as possible, those who are trying to carry out the missionary spirit. We further recommend the hearty approval and support of all our Christian schools of this denomination that are preparing boys and girls for Christian work. We ask that each member of this field do stand by the work of our Asosciation and catch the missionary spirit.

Your Committee,

W. H. HORNE, Chairman.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON OBITUARY.

The Committee on Obituary wish to report that since the last Association the Lord has taken from out of our midst 84 loved ones, among whom were Rev. R. Diggs and Deacon Frank Haily.

We bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

We recommend that we hold twenty-five minutes memorial service in honor of those veterans who have gone on before.

Respectfully submitted, your Committee,

REV. R. S. TANNER, Chairman.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON THE NEEDS OF THE FIELD.

After considering the many needs of our field, we find the following: There is much unrest and disatisfaction in many of our churches, all because there is a misunderstanding between pastors and deacons. We think such conditions of affairs are due largely to a lack of wholesome advice and intelligent administration of the affairs of church government.

Therefore, we recommend first that the churches in Zion Association secure pastors only who are in touch with the State work so far as said work is in harmony with the spirit and teaching of God's word.

We further recommend that no church elect any man for a deacon who does not measure up to the New Testament ideal of

qualification, unless it is absolutely necessary.

Respectfully submited, your Committee,

REV. E. H. MARTIN, Chairman.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT ON CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY.

Your Committee views with regret the dissatisfaction, the pace the world is going into idleness, sin and idolitary, keeping in mind the progress the churches are making, fighting the great deamons, there remains much yet to be accomplished. With the Bible in so many homes, and the word of God being preached from so many pulpits and other various places, with interest we are watching the restless spirit of this, our Southland, relating to the great financial crisis, brought about on account of the low price of cotton, and also the great peace conference that is being kept before the American people as well as all other nations of the world. We concede these are only as an index pointing in the direction which our future happiness depends. The boll weevil, the drought-stricken communities are handwritings on the wall which have claimed our attention. We mention only a few which we hope will cause to view with us and plan a line of procedure. We theerfore urge that the people as a whole better the condition of the country by attending the Church, hear the gospel preached, practice the same, for it is the only medium by which the world can be saved. It is said in the Bible that we are the salt of the earth. So, since we are, let us not loose our saving power, but dedicate, reconsecrate ourselves, our lives and lead the world to Christ.

Respectfully submitted, Your Committee,

C. C. HORNE, Chairman.

ORDAINING BOARD'S REPORT.

Dear Brethren and Sisters: We are glad to greet you with a spirit of optimism in the heightening of ministerial dignity, faith and fervancy, and the delving down into the deeper mystery of the Word of God and bringing to us messages that heightens our joys and strengthens our faith and gives us a greater grasp upon the promises of God. But with this estacy theer is running parellel a sadness that there is not a corresponding preparation for old age, when the active life of the ministry is gone from them.

We alos realize that the living expenses are greater at this age than ever before in any normal period. We also believe that God would not cause the churches to suffer hardship to manage to

increase the pastor's salary along with increased efforts to push forward the great missionary program and we would therefore recommend it. We also have to regret that many young ministers are neglecting the study of the Great Book as they should and that it is becoming an age of dusty Bibles in the homes and many buy Bibles as ornaments and keep them locked in their trunks.

We still warn the churches against urging their young men to eldership. If a young man or old man be a hard student of the Bible, it is a very good sign that he is called to the ministry, otherwise he has no right to the ministry. We are sorry to chronicle the serious illness of Rev. B. J. Parson, chairman of the Ordaining Board, and ask the prayers of the Association for his speedy recovery and to also do whatever we can to relieve him. Also with sorrow we note the demise of the veenrable and Rev. J. J. Hines pastor of Parson Gdove Church, and fellow comrade of the ministry who departed on the first Saturday in May, 1926. Also Rev. R. Diggs, a sainted minister of Pee Dee, N. C. We thank God for the lives of these great ministers whose footprints are a shining light for the wayward traveler

The Board met and elected the following for 1926-1927: For Chairman, Rev. J. T. Ratliff; Catechiser, Rev. B. B. Sturdivan; Secretary, J. F. Davis.

CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Zion Missionary Baptist Association.

Art. 2 The primary object of this Association shall be to in-

crease the spirit and efficiency of the churches, to support the gospel in destitute places among us to assist the churches in the erection of suitable buildings for worship; to organize churches and Sunday Schools whenever practicable; to raise contributions for State. Home and Foregn Missions, and to co-operate with the Union Baptist State Convention of North Carolina in all of the plans of educational and missionary work.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of regular Baptist churches in good standing, and in full practice of the faith, discipline, ordinances, and of the doctrines of regular Baptist denominations. Also of the regular ministers in good standing in the churches in the bounds of the Association, and messengers elected

annually by the churches of this body.

Art. 4. The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, vice-moderator, recording and corresponding secretary, treasurer, an auditor, an executive committee of seven, and an ordaining board. The moderator, recording secretary and treasurer shall constitute three members of the executive committee. These officers shall be elected annually and hold thir offices until their successors are elected.

Art. 5. Th moderator shall preside at all meetings or call some brother to fill the chair, and enforce order in accordance with the Rules of Decorum and Constitution. He shall settel points of order, give the casting vote in case of a tie, and appoint all committees unless otherwise ordered by the body.

Art. 6. The recording secretary shall perform the usual duties belonging to such office. He shall sign all orders drawn on the treasurer.

Art. 7. Corresponding Secretary shall take charge of all the correspondence between this Asosciation and other bodies. All communications and appeals to the various churches of this field shall be sent to him. He shall be ex-officio secretary to the executive committee.

Art. 8. The Treasurer of this Association shall be treasurer of the Union Meeting. He shall hold all monies and valauble papers belonging to this Association. He shall pay orders only when they are properly drawn and signed by the moderator and secretary. He shall give an annual report to this body, preceded by an examination and endorsement of the Auditor. He shall give bond to the full security of the Association property in his hands.

Art. 9. The executive committee shall have full charge of the Association when it is not in session. They shall draw the plans of operation for the field approved by the Association. Al claims on the Treasurer of this body must be presented to the Executive Committee. They shall meet as often as called together by the corresponding secretary and moderator, and shal make full report of their work to the Association through the Corresponding Secretary. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

Art. 10. The Ordaining Board shall have supervision of the Ecclesiastical department of the Association. They shall examine all applicants for ordination, and pass on the credentials of all

members of this body. All requests for ministerial aid from this Association must be recommended by the Ordaining Board.

Art. 11. Any regular Baptist Church may continue its membership in this Association by the payment of ten (10) cents per capita for each of its members. (Said 10 cents is also the representation fee into the various Union Betings). Two-fifths of which shall be used for general expenses, and three-fifths for ministerial education, and by raising money for missions. Any church failing to come up to the financial requirements of the Association shall not be considered in good standing and not allowed to enroll until satisfaction is rendered to this body by such church.

Art. 12. Newly constituted churches, or churches dismissed from other deliberative bodies of the same faith and order, may be admitted into this Association by sending their messengers to an annual meeting with letters of petition and agreeing to the declaration of principles laid down in God's word.

Art. 13. The members convened in the Association shall have no ecclesiastical or disciplinary power over the churches.

Art. 14. The Association shall meet annually, and be composed of not more than three messengers from each church, with a letter giving the condition of the church. Said meeting to convene on Wednesday before the sermon, and continue in session until business is completed. The Union Meeting shall meet on Friday before each fifth Sunday or often as may deem practicable, and should there fail to be a place for a Union Meeting at the session, the Executive Committee shall find a location and notify the field immediately through the Corresponding Secretary.

Art. 15. No difficulty between churches or church shall be heard by this Association until Gospel steps have been fully taken outside of this body to settle the difficulty.

Art. 16. Any church, a member of this body, that is corrupt in practice or doctrine, after Gospel steps have been taken to reclaim it, and it persists in its course, shall no longer be a member of this body, and the reason in full shall be published in the minutes. Any church failing to represent by letter or mesengers two successive years, shall be visited by suitable admonition, and if it neglects to represent the third year, it shall be dropped from this Association.

Art. 17. All visiting ministers shall be welcomed to seats among

us, but not allowed to vote.

Art. 18. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a vote of two-thirds of the members present. Provided such amendments shall be submitted on the first day of the sitting of the Association and adopted on a subsequent day.

RECAPITULATION OF STATISTICS AND REPORTS.

Number of churches reporting	42
Number baptized this year	319
Membership	5754
Net loss	121
Value of church property listed	$663,699.000
Number of ordained ministers	45
Number of licensed preachers	48

The Finance Committee reported the following churches due on 1926 Greport and promises to pay in thirty days:

Elizabeth M., $9.67; Mt. Zion, $3.10; New Zion, $4.85. Mt. Zion paid at Chambers Grove Union.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

CHURCHES	Rpt. Fee	S. F. Missions	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers	Shaw University	Total Sent
Bethel	$ 1.50	$ .55	$ 1.00	$ .55		$ 3.60
Brown Creek	12.00	.50	.50	1.00		14.10
Cedar Creek	10.55	1.00	1.00	1.00		13.55
Chilson Grove	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		5.00
Chambers Grove	8.00					8.10
Cool Spring	2.40	1.10	2.00	2.00		7.50
Deep Creek	64.50					64.50
Ebenezer	3.00	.50	1.00	1.00		5.50
Elizabeth M.	19.90	.50		.50		20.90
Elizabeth F. M.	2.20	2.61	1.00	1.00		6.81
Flat Rock	2.30	.25	.25	1.00		3.80
Fletchers Grove	18.50	1.50	.50	1.00		21.50
Flint Ridge E.	14.50	2.00				16.50
Friendship	10.00			.25		10.25
Galilee	2.40	.50	.50	1.00		4.40
Green Hill	.60	.50		.25		1.35
Long Pine	7.60	1.00	1.00	1.50		11.10
Madison Grove	8.30	1.56	1.00	1.00		11.86
Meltonsville	57.35	1.00	1.00	.50		59.85
Mt. Zion	4.40	2.00	1.00	2.00		9.40
Mt. Moriah	1.20	.50	.50	1.00		3.10
New Zion	9.85					5.00
Nicy Grove	18.00	1.00	1.00	1.00		21.90
Olive Branch	.80	.25		.75		1.80
Pleasant Hill	4.00	.25		.25		4.50
Poplar Hill	10.50		.60	.50		11.60
Parson Grove	45.30	.50	.50	1.00		47.30
Poplar Spring	17.00	2.00	2.00	1.00		22.00
Ramah Grove	18.50	.50	.25	.50		19.75
Rockford E.	12.20	1.00	.50	1.00		14.70
Rockford W.	15.20	5.00	1.00	1.08		22.28
Red Led	3.00		.50	.60		4.60
Sandy Ridge	14.90	2.00	2.50	2.50		21.90
Saron	5.50	2.00	1.00	1.00		9.50
Shankle Grove	5.00		.25	.50		5.75
St. Paul	9.60		1.00	1.00		11.60
Timmonsville	5.90					5.90
White Oak	11.80	.25	.25	.50		12.80
Flint Ridge E. W.	P. D.	.50		.70		1.20
New Grove	11.50	1.60	1.00	1.00		14.50
Rock Spring	6.10	3.00	1.00	2.00		12.10
	$ 470.20	$ 42.47	$ 26.60	$ 35.08		$ 566.08

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Pastors and Their Postoffice.	Sabbath of Preaching	Baptized	Received and Restored	Dis'd and Excluded	Died	Membership
Bethel	R. L. Micheal, Rt. 3, Peachland		4		1		20
Brown Creek		3		2	15	2	156
Cedar Creek	J. R. Faison, Wadesboro	1	11	2	5	1	133
Chambers Grove	S. S. Thosas, Box 481, Wadesboro	2	5		1		91
Chilson Grove	W. H. Horne, Rt. 1, Morven	4	3		1	2	50
Cool Springs	J. D. Simmons, Rt. 1, Morven		2	1			34
Deep Creek	H. I. Quick, Rockingham	2-4	28	7	2	3	675
Ebeenzer	C. D. Lipscomb, Wadesboro		2				60
Elizabeth M.			2	2	2	3	199
Elizabeth P. D.	J. D. Davis, Moroe	2	4		3	1	42
Flat Rock	R. S. Tanner, Rt. A, Wadesboro	1-3	9	2	1		53
Fletchers Grove	J. C. Covington		16	7	2	4	265
Flint Ridge	B. B. Sturdivant, Polkton		7			2	185
Flint Ridge W.	L. V. Gaddy, Rt. 1, Polkton	1-3		4	3		16
Friendship	B. F. Colvin, York, S. C.		4	20		4	100
Gallilee	J. E. P. Little, Rt. 1, Wadesboro			3			34
Green Hill	R. H. L. Crockett, Rt. 1, Wadesboro		4	1			26
Long Pine	B. B. Sturdivant, Polkton	3	13	1		2	96
Madison Grove	J. F. Davis, Monroe	4	4	4	1	5	108
Meltonsville		4	19	4	17	5	556
McLean Grove	J. A. Little, Chesterfield, S. C.		10	3	2	4	85
Mt. Zion	J. C. Ellerbee, Box 215 Morven	4	6	2	1		84
Mt. Moriah	J. C. Chambers, Rt 1, Marshville	1	1	1	3		32
New Zion	E. H. Martin	3	6	1		2	125
New Grove	W. G. Flake, Norwood	1	2		1	2	135
Nicy Grove	E. H. Martin, Wadesboro	1	13	6	31	2	200
Olive Branch	J. L. Chambers, Monroe						18
Pleasant Hill	R. L. Michael, Rt. 3, Peachland	1	5	2	6		40
Poplar Hill		3	3	7	3	1	125
Parsons Grove	W. H. Shaw, Laurinburg		37	9	14	13	493
Poplar Spring	J. E. P. Little, Rt. 1, Wadesboro	2	8	4	1		190
Ramah Grove	J. R. Faison, Wadesboro	2	7		3	1	195
Rockford E.		1	8	2	3	2	162
Rockford W.	W. A. Currence, Wadesboro		22	3	3	3	192
Rock Spring	J. C. Ellerbe, Box 215 Morven	3	4	3	3		81
Red Level		2-4	6	1		2	40
Sandy Ridge	B. F. McManus, Cheraw, S. C.	3	13	2	2	3	179
Saron				1	8	3	86
Shankle Grove	W. M. Redfearn, Cheraw, S. C.		1			1	50
St. Paul	T. M. Mayfield S. Long, Charlotte		12	11	106	8	116
Timmonsville		1	9		2	1	79
White Oak	J. A. Little, Chesterfield, S. C	4	4			2	148

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Salary Pastor's	Church Expenses	Missions	Education	Auxiliaries Report	Charity	Total	Value of Church Property
Bethel	$ 75.00	$ 50.50	$ .50		$ 1.10	$	$ 127.10	$
Brown Creek	200.00	53.90	.50	.50	20.15		275.55	$2,000.00
Cedar Creek	125.00	49.49	1.00	1.00	1.00		177.49	2,000.00
Chambers Groove	125.00	240.89					365.89	1,279.00
Chilson Grove	200.00	80.75	1.00	2.00	27.28	1.00	312.03	400.00
Cool Springs	130.00	7.50				2.80	140.30	1,000.00
Deep Creek	600.00	287.64	30.87	10.16	154.18	7.50	990.35	4,000.00
Ebenezer	400.00	343.00	.50	1.00	15.00	72.00	831.50	
Elizabeth M.	1,000.00	392.48	83.25			81.85	1,557.58	5,000.00
Elizabeth P. D.	171.35	177.20	2.61	1.00	6.00	21.10	379.26	1,500.00
Flat Rock	170.05	64.85	.50	.50	2.55	95.00	333.55	500.00
Fletchers Grove	387.15	36.45	1.00	.50	1.00	3.30	420.90	
Flint Ridge	250.00	72.50	2.00		26.00		361.05	1,500.00
Fliint Ridge W.	75.00	4.60	1.00	.50	4.50	.50	86.10	300.00
Friendship	514.90	109.90			17.85		642.65	3,500.00
Galilee	150.00	140.55	.50	.50	16.50	25.00	333.05	
Green Hill	100.00	2.60	.50	.25	.25		205.00	500.00
Long Pine	200.00	69.60	1.00	1.00	2.94		274.54	1,500.00
Madison Grove	200.00	126.60	19.00	1.00	47.56			3,500.00
Meltonsville	300.00	486.79	1.00	1.00	68.60		857.39	1,200.00
Olive Branch	51.63	1.80			5.00		57.43	1,000.00
McLean Grove	225.00	47.30	5.00	.50	16.20	1.00	259.00	2,500.00
Mt. Zion	250.00	19.40	2.00	1.00	9.81		282.21	1,500.00
Mt. Moriah	60.00	44.03			22.70		181.20	2,500.00
New Zion	121.90	36.60			22.70		181.20	2,500.00
New Grove	175.00	157.38	1.00	1.00	4.00		338.34	
Nicy Grove	250.00	370.00	5.00	2.00	9.00	14.50	653.50	2,500.00
Olive Branch	51.63	1.80			5.00		57.43	1,000.00
Pleasant Hill	125.00	205.00	1.25		5.25		236.50	1,500.00
Poplar Hill	150.00	206.30	8.00	.60	9.05	17.50	391.45	1,000.00
Parsons Grove	425.00	487.41	.50	.50	13.00		926.41	3,000.00
Poplar Spring	250.00	94.00	2.00	2.00	9.00		357.00	
Raham Grove	200.00	24.50	.50	.25	6.00		23.125	
Rockford E.	225.00	38.29	1.00	.50	17.23	48.25	330.27	2,500.00
Rockford W	300.00	41.07	10.00	1.00	8.15	5.00	365.24	1,600.00
Rock Spring	200.00	17.50	3.00	1.00	5.30		226.80	800.00
Red Vevel	200.00	79.00	1.00	.50	4.50		285.00	
Sandy Ridge	270.00	69.70	2.00	2.50	7.50	35.05	386.85	2,500.00
Saron	240.00	34.50	2.00	1.00	19.00	2.00	299.50	1,500.00
St. Paul	1,200.00	7,812.17	25.00		55.00		8,992.77	7,000.00
Timmonsville	200.00	54.47					254.47	500.00
Shankle Grove	150.00	94.25		.25	.50		245.00	1,100.00
White Oak	200.00	85.31	.25	.25	.50		286.31	2,100.00

MINUTES
of the
WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Of Union and Anson Counties, Auxiliary to the Zion Baptist Association, held with the New Zion Baptist Church, Peachlandg, N. C., August 28th and 29th, 1926.

OFFICERS FOR 1927

President—Mrs. A. C. Robinson_____Monroe
Vice-President—Mrs. G. W. Baucom__Rt. A, Wadesboro
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Isa Hilard_____Wadesboro
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. C. C. Horne
Rt. 1, Peachland
Treasurer—Mrs. M. F. Little_____Rt. 1, Wadesboro

EXECUTIVE BOAR

Mrs. C. C. Boulware, Chairman_____Monroe
Mrs. Julia Redfern_____Monroe
Mrs. Lizziei Boggan_____Wadesboro
Mrs. Mary Crowder_____Wnigate
Mrs. Alberta Davis_____Polkton
Mrs. Lizzie Allen_____Lilesville
Mrs. Julia C. Bennett_____Wadesboro

PROCEEDINGS

New Zion Baptist Church, Peachland, N. C.,
August 28, 1926.

The 16th Annual meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Convention, auxiliary to the Zion Association, was held with the local circle at New Zion Baptist Church, Peachland, N. C. Rev. B. J. Parson, pastor.

The Convention was called together with the following sisters leading praise service: Mrs. Alice Badley of West Rockford Circle; Sister Alberta Davis of Poplar Springs

Circle, and Sister Dora Smith of the Poplar Hill Circle. Sister Bradley lined the first hymn. Sister Eliza Robinson led in a fervent prayer. During his service a most interesting Bible lesson was conducted by Sister Dora C. Smith from the 1-14 4verse of the 19th Psalm. Many helpful expressions followed. In view of the fact that neither the president nor the vice-president were present, it was moved and seconded that Sister Boulware act as president until the arrival of the president.

At this period we had the introduction of visitors. The following ones were given seats of welcome: Miss Montrose Hasty, teacher in the High School, Monroe, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Hailey of Frag Branch Chruch; Mrs. Sarah A. Parker, of Piney Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Allen of Flag Branch. Each made remarks, after which Mrs. Rev. B. J. Ivey and Mrs. Parker lifted the offering which amounted to $5.10. Sister Annie Sturdivant asked God's blessing on the offering.

Then we had recess for dinner.

After diner we reassembled with Sister Amy Ratliff of the White Oak Circle and Sister Luvenia Ledbetter of Long Pine Circle, leading praise service. During this service we were favored with a timely talk from the president, as her first speech to the convention. Then the appointing of committees as folllows:

Committee on Offivers—Mrs. Annie C. Martin, Chairman; Mrs. Dora C. Smith, Mrs. Fannie Ivey, Mrs. Ellen Ricketts, Mrs. Amy Ratliff,

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. Julia Redfern, Chairman; Mrs. Mary Huntley, Mrs. Lessie Parson, Mrs. Lydia Caraway, Mrs. Lenora Chavis.

Committee on Obituary—Mrs. Rachel Davis, Chairman; Mrs. Ethel Lilly, Mrs. Daisy Thomas.

Committee on Delegates to Lott Cary Convention—Mrs. R. A. Wardel, Chairman; Mrs. Alice Bradley, Mrs. Elizabeth Parker.

Committee on Fraternal Delegate to Western Union Convention—Mrs. Eliza Thomas, Chairman; Mrs. Anna Cash, Miss Montrose Hasty.

At the going out of these committees we were glad to have Rev. J. A. Little, Deacon and Mrs. Leak, Mr. Spencer and Prof. C. C. Horne came forward and gave words of encouragement of which were enjoyed very much by all. Then report of committee. (See report.) "Bless Be the Tie" was sung. Bendiction by Rev. H. Medley.

SATURADY NIGHT

Praise service was conducted by Mrs. R. A. Wardel of the Flat Rock Circle. At the close of this brief service we listened to a most cordial welcome on the part of the Circle by Miss Ruth Horne on the part of the church, by H. Medley. Responded to by Miss Montrose Hastey. After these young ladies had carried us soaring to heights above in a logical atmosphere we found ourselves settling down and feeling ourselves very, very welcome indeed. The hour having arrived for preaching, Rev. J. A. Little and Rev. Medley ascended the rostrum. Rev. Medley read and lined hymn No. 735. Rev. Little read for a lesson Romans 12th chapter. Bro. C. C. Horne led in proyer.

After singing another selection Rev. Little arose and announced for a text Romans 12-1. The speaker spoke with power to the extent that our hearts did burn within while the man of God spoke out of the fullnes sof his heart. Rev. H. Medley carride us to a throne of grace in prayer. After which Bro. Horne lifted an offering of

$5.07. Sister Eliza Robinson asked God's blessing on the offering. At this period we had the calling of the roll. Benediction by Rev. Little.

SUNDAY MORNING

Praise service was conducted by Mrs. Fannie Ivey and Mrs. Jennie May Barano. Mrs. Ivey lined hymn No. 449. Sister Martin led in a most eranest prayer. After singing "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," Brō. Spencer led in a fervent prayer. Then an opportunity was given for expressions. In the midst of a great spiritual wave the president came to her chair and made remarke, then turned the meeting over to Mother Sunshine, Mrs. C. C. Horne, who came forward and rendered an excellent program, responded to by Rev. J. F. Davis. After which the door was closed for the quiet moments. While we tarried as it were at Jerusalem the Holy Spirit came and filled our hearts to overflowing. Rev. J. A. Little, J. F. Davis, B. F. McManus, H. Medley and W. M. Allen entered the stand for preaching. Rev. Davis sung hymn No. 559, "Go Plead My Gospel Saith the Lord," and so forth. Prayer by Rev. Allen. Then Rev. Davis presented the speaker of the hour in the person of Rev. J. A. Little, of Chesetrfield, S. C. The speaker arose and announced for a text Romans 8:31. "If God be for us who can be against us?" The speaker spoke with power. He made a wonderful impression on his hearers which will long be remembered. He closed his sermon in the midst of much rejoicing. Rev. B. F. McManus led in prayer. Rev. B. J. Ivey and Rev. W. M. Allen lifted the offering which amounted to $16.06. Rev. Parson being absent on account of being il, Bro. Horne lifted on offering for him which amounted to $5.28. Rev. Davis asked God's blessing on the offering. Then we had a cerse of song and

shaking the departing hand then we went down from one of the greatest meetings in the history of our work.

Benediction by Rev. B. J. Ivey.

Total amount of money raised in this meeting, $70.55.

Our next Union meeting will be at Madison Grove on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in March, 1927.

MRS. ANNIE C. ROBINSON, President.
MRS. I. S. A. HILLARD, Recording Secretary

SOME ACTIONS OF THE BOARD

In the board meeting at New Zion it was voted that the idea of having only one officer out of each church be done away with.

Mrs. Annie C. Martin was made special worker for Anson County, to work cooperatively with Mrs. A. C. Robinson, our State Organizer.

COMMITTEE REPORT

We, Your Committee on Officers, beg leave to report the following officers for the year 1927:

Mrs. Annie C. Robinson, President, Monroe, N. C.
Mrs. Annie Baucom, Vice-President.
Mrs. I. S. A. Hillard, Recording Secretary.
Mrs. C. C. Horne, Corresponding Secretary.
Mrs. M. F. Little, Treasurer

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Mrs. Alberta Davis.
Mrs. Lizzie Allen.
Mrs. Julia C. Bennette.

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DELEGATE TO WESTERN UNION CONVENTION

We, your Committee on Delegates to the Western Union Convention at Gastonia, wish to recommend Mrs. C. C. Horne as delegate.

COMMITTEE ON DELEGATE TO LOTT CARY CONVENTION

We, your Committe on Delegate to Lott Cary Convention recommend that we send Mrs. M. F. Little as delegate.

COMMITTTE ON TIME AND PLACE

We your Committee on Time and Place beg leave to submit the following: That the next union be held with the Madison Grove Circle on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in March.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS	SECRETARY
Friendship	Mrs. Hattie B. Watts, Monroe	Mrs. Daisy Gray, Monroe
Brown Creek		Mrs. Fannie Simons, Wadesboro
Mt. Zion	Mrs. Wincie Crump, Polkton	Mrs. Mollie Buchanan, Polkton
New Grove	Mrs. Alive Jackson	
Saron	Mrs. Gillie Hailey, Polkton	Miss Nettie Polk, Polkton
Elizabeth M	Mrs. A. C. Robinson, Moroe	Miss Ida Trull, Monroe
McLeans Grove	Mrs. Dillie Leak	Miss Annie Redfern, Chesterfield, S. C.
New Zion	Mrs. Anna Cash, Peachland	Miss Awilda Medley, Peachland
Nicy Grove	Mrs. Mary Crowder, Wingate	Mrs. Ella Blakney, Wingate
Elizabeth P D	Mrs. J. W. Diggs, Pee Dee	Mrs. Emma Pratt, Pee Dee
Poplar Springs	Mrs. Alberta Davis, Polkton	Miss Narcissus Davis, Rt. 2, Polkton
Deep Creek	Mrs. Julia C. Bennett, Rt. A, Wadesboro	Mrs. M. J. Huntley, Rt. A, Wadesboro
Parsons Grove	Mrs. H. T. Gatewood, Wadesboro	Mrs. H. J. Leak, Wadesboro
Long Pine	Mrs. D. C. Barrett, Rt. 1, Ruby, S. C	Mrs. Mary J. Little, Rt. 3, Peachland
Ebenezer W	Mrs. I. S. A. Hillard, Wadesboro	Mrs. G. W. Crowder, Wadesboro
Rockford E	Mrs. Annie C. Martin, Wadesboro	Miss Mary V. Bennett, Wadesboro
Galilee	Mrs. Mattie Lothorn, Oakboro	Miss Callie Barrett, Oaksboro
Chilson Grove	Mrs. Sallie Diggs	
Meltonsville	Mrs. Julia Bowman	
Fletcher's Grove		
Ramah Grove	Mrs. Lenora Chavis, McFarlan	Mrs. Larence Marshall, McFarlan
White Oak Groove	Mrs. Lula McRae, Morven	Mrs. Mary Melton, Rt. 1, McFarlan
Pleasant Hill		
Sandy Ridge	Mrs. Joseph Little, Rt. 2, Morven	Mrs. Josephine Bivens, Rt. 2, Morven
Madison Grove	Mrs. G. W. Baucum, Rt. A, Wadesboro	Mrs. Blanche Smith, Rt. 2, Morven
Poplar Hill	Mrs. Dora C. Smith, Rt. 1, Polkton	Mrs. Lilly Gaddy, Rt. 3, Peachland
Flat Rock	Mrs. Ethel Lilly, Wadesboro	Miss Dotsie Streater, Rt. A, Wadesboro
Rockford W	Mrs. Ida J. Sullivan, Rt. A, Wadesboro	Mrs. Alice Bradley, Rt. 1, Wadesboro
Flint Ridge E	Mrs. Lola Chambers, Rt. 1, Marshville	Mrs. Sarah Roland, Rt. 1, Marshville
Flint Ridge W	Mrs. Georganna McClenthan	Mrs. Emma Crowder, Rt. 1, Monroe
Chambers Grove	Mrs. Annie Collins, Rt. 3, Marshville	Mrs. Lola P. Chambers, Rt. 3, Marshville
Rock Springs		
Mt. Moriah	Mrs. Iizzie Bivens	
W I C Circles		
Friendship		
Parsons Grove	Etta Curlee, Rt. A, Wadesboro	Ruth Bennett, Rt. A, Wadesboro
Ebeenzer W		
Elizabeth M		
White Oak Grove		
Rockford E		
Nicy Grove	Christenna Barns, Wingate	Tinnie Deese, Wingate
Poplar Springs	Bessie Davis, Rt. 2, Polkton	Fadella Brewer, Rt. 2, Polkton
Poplar Hill	Rosa Tillman	Bessie Smith
New Grove		
Elizabeth P D		
Mt. Zion		
Rockford West		
Ramah Grove	Odel Marshall, Morven	Arlene Sturdivant, Rt.A, Chesterfi'd, S. C.
Rock Springs		
Long Pine		
Sunshine Bands		
Elizabeth M		
Parsons Grove		
New Zion		